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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 241
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A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Dr. Henry C. Lee on his numerous contributions to the criminal justice field.

WHEREAS, Dr. Henry C. Lee is one of the world's greatest and most highly regarded criminologists; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee was born in China on November 22, 1938, and graduated from the Taiwan Central Police College with a degree in Police Science in 1966; and

WHEREAS, After several years of working for the Taipei Police Department, he decided to come to the United States to pursue further study; in 1972, he earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Forensic Science from John Jay College in New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee studied science and biochemistry at New York University and earned his Master of Science Degree in 1974 and his Ph.D. in Biochemistry in 1975; and

WHEREAS, He also holds many honorary degrees, including an Honorary Doctor of Science Degree from the University of New Haven, a Doctoral of Laws from Roger Williams University, and a Doctor of Humane Letters from both St. Joseph College and the University of Bridgeport; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Lee has also successfully completed many special training courses at the Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy, the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Agency, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and several other law enforcement training programs; and

WHEREAS, He worked at New York University Medical Center from 1968 to 1974 as a research scientist before joining the University of New Haven faculty in 1975 as an Assistant Professor; he created the University of New Haven's forensic science programs and was granted tenure as a full professor just three years after arriving at the school; and

WHEREAS, In 1975, Dr. Lee volunteered his services to assist the Connecticut State Police in developing their now much admired forensic laboratory services and introducing the Major Crime Squad concept for criminal investigation; and

WHEREAS, In 1979, he was appointed the first Chief Criminologist for the State of Connecticut, a crucial position which he still holds; and

WHEREAS, He also serves expertly as Director of the Connecticut State Police Forensic Science Laboratory, and is a Professor of the Forensic Science program at the University of New Haven and an adjunct professor at ten other universities and law schools in the United States and abroad; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee has assisted law enforcement agencies and carried out more than 6,000 major investigations and cases around the world; and

WHEREAS, He has also testified over 1,000 times in both criminal and civil cases and serves as a consultant for more than 300 police and law enforcement agencies. Dr. Lee has served as an expert witness in numerous high profile investigations and nationally and internationally known cases; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee is the distinguished editor of seven academic journals and a valued member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Forensic Sciences, has authored or co-authored

20 authoritative books, major chapters and reports, and has published approximately 300 articles in professional journals; and

WHEREAS, This prominent criminologist has also served admirably as chairman and director on national and international committees on law enforcement, forensic science, criminal justice, education and training, and has conducted and instructed over 800 workshops and seminars; and

WHEREAS, As is fitting for a man of his international acclaim and stature, Dr. Lee has been the recipient of numerous awards, including the Distinguished Service Award from the Taiwan National Police Administration in 1962, the Teacher of the Year Award in 1978, Achievement Awards in 1983, the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Distinguished Criminologist Award in 1986, the J. Donero Award from the International Association of Identification in 1989, the Distinguished Service Award from the Connecticut Police Commissioners Association in 1992, the Medal of Justice from the Justice Foundation in 1996, and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Science and Engineer Association in 1996; and

WHEREAS, In 1962, he was honored by being elected a distinguished fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and he has served with diligence and dedication as a distinguished member of the International Association of Identification; and

WHEREAS, A deeply appreciative State of Connecticut has also recognized his fine work in forensic science and law enforcement; the Connecticut General Assembly honored him as one of the first recipients of the State Distinguished Manager Award in 1982 and he was the first recipient of the Ethic Award in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee is also the recipient of several hundred other medals, commendations, and awards from police departments, universities, governments, and civic groups around the world. He has received many honorary police ranks, from Captain to Police Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lee and his loving and supportive wife, Margaret, who works at the Veterans' Hospital in West Haven, Connecticut, have been married for thirty-five years. They have two successful children, a daughter Sherry Lee, who works for Traveler's Insurance, and a son, Dr. Stanley Lee, who works at Progressive Dentistry; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to commend Dr. Henry Lee on his exemplary record of service to forensic science, criminal investigation, and law enforcement overall; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Dr. Henry Lee, whose remarkable legacy to the criminal justice system will not soon be equaled. We wish him much continued success as he continues the noble struggle for justice and preserving the rights of victims of crime.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.